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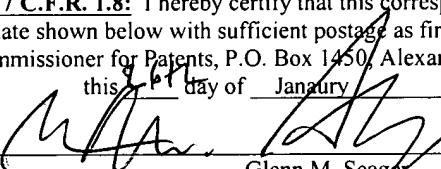
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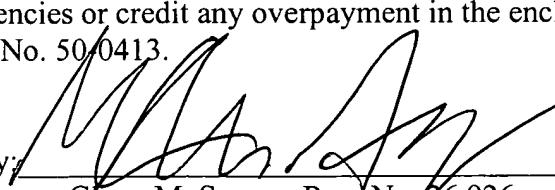
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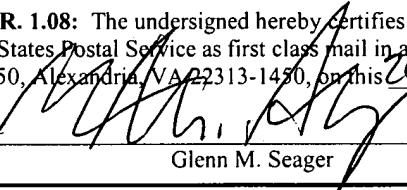
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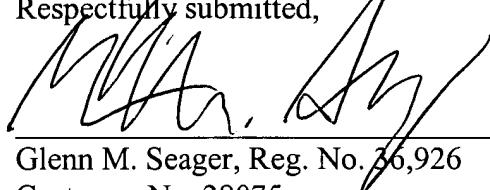
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30, 1999, U.S. Application No. 08/943,358 filed October 3, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,001,118, U.S. Application No. 08/810,825 filed March 6, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,814,064, U.S. Application No. 08/813,794 filed March 6, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,827,324, or is a U.S. patent application publication or a U.S. patent, upon which Applicant relies for the benefits provided in 35 U.S.C. §120. Therefore, under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d) and 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(i), copies of these documents are not being submitted herewith.

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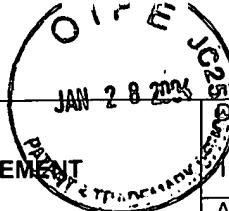
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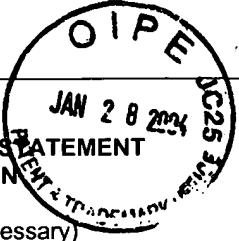
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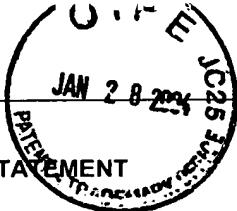
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